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Re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 3763

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For: THERAPEUTIC DEVICE FOR THE SELECTIVE CYTOREDUCTION  
TREATMENT OF AN OBSTRUCTION IN A NATURAL LUMEN OR  
PASSAGE OF THE HUMAN OR ANIMAL BODY

AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the September 11, 2002 Office Action, please amend the above-identified  
patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please replace claims 36 and 39 as follows:

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36. (Amended) The device of claim 34, wherein said substrate and said internal  
core are off-centered in relation to one another.

39. (Amended) The device of claim 34, further comprising a sheath made of a  
synthetic foam between said substrate and said internal core.

Please add new claims 125-128 as follows:

--125. A therapeutic device intended for being substantially fully located in a natural  
lumen through which a fluid naturally flows, said fluid flow being controlled by a sphincter  
through said lumen, said device comprising:

a non-biodegradable active tubular element that is designed to be placed in at  
least an obstructed part of said natural lumen, upstream of said sphincter, said element having

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